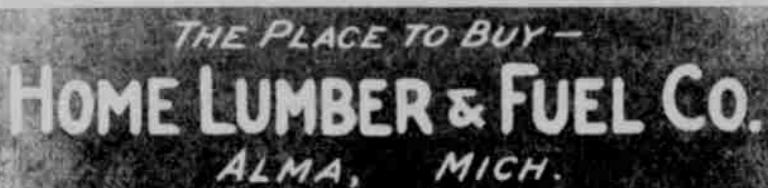




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# Builders' Page

*News of Local Interest to the Builder, Contractor and Prospective Home Seeker.*



MARSHALL DALLAS BLOCK

#### BUILDING NOW READY

The Marshall Dallas block on South State street is now ready for use, and today the postoffice is being moved into the first floor and a roller skating rink is being opened on the second floor of the building.

The building is two stories and a basement in height. It is constructed of brick and has a frontage of 44 feet on South State street and a depth of 80 feet. A fine steam-heating plant is being installed to furnish the heat for the entire building. The entrance to the second floor of the building is found at the north end.

The postoffice has felt a great need for additional room for the past year, due to the great growth in the business which is transacted here. Early in the summer bids for a post-office were asked for and Mr. Dallas was one of those to put in a bid and he was awarded the contract for a period of five years.

The building is now completed, and because of the great need for additional room it has been determined to move the postoffice before the Christmas rush comes, which could hardly be handled in the small quarters which have housed the postoffice for so many years.

As a result of the moving the postoffice is closed all day today, and Friday will open for business at the new block.

The second floor of the building will be used for a roller skating rink and a dance hall. This will be in charge of Mr. Buecking, who expects to devote his time to giving Alma a first-class skating rink.

The cut shown was taken before the building was entirely completed, but gives a good idea of the new structure.

Work on the new plant for the Ex-Cold-O Products company of this city was started on Monday of this week, in spite of the low temperature prevalent at that time. It is the intention of the officials of the new concern to dash the building through just as rapidly as possible, and if weather conditions become more favorable and material can be secured as needed the new building, 60 by 150 feet, will probably be ready for use within the next 60 days. The building is located on the six acres given this company in the southeastern part of the city by the board of trade.

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